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ONTARIO HERITAGE HISTORIC PRESERVATION GRANT

Ontario Heritage Historic Preservation Grant Program

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ONTARIO HERITAGE is proud to be THE local non-profit advocacy organization within the City of Ontario whose mission is the protection and preservation of our city's architectural heritage.

This year we are pleased to announce the debut of our Historic Preservation Grant Program. A total of \$5,000 will be awarded towards the Preservation Grants and we look forward to many years of investing back into our historical assets.

Proceeds from our Historic Home Tours, Historic Cemetery Tours, Historic Walking Tours, as well as your continued memberships fund this program to aid and support owners of historic properties within the City of Ontario.

Applications are available to anyone wishing to restore a structure with historic and or architectural significance in Ontario.

Applicants do not have to be members of Ontario Heritage. Applications should be limited to one selected project, but more than one application is permitted.

Within six weeks of the application submission deadline, a panel of qualified individuals from outside Ontario Heritage and the Ontario area will review the applications and make on-site visits to select the projects to be funded. Ontario Heritage will officially announce the results at their Spring Potluck meeting.



Ontario Heritage Historic Preservation Grant Program

1. Up to \$5,000 (collectively) will be available for the Historic Preservation Grant Program.
The Program provides money and project assistance to local historic property owners for maintenance and restoration.
2. The Louise Melton Historic Preservation Grant Program is available to any citizen of the city of Ontario for any restoration project on a property with historic and or architectural significance. Grants will be awarded to property owners whose projects best represent the spirit of historic preservation within Ontario's historic homes and neighborhoods.
3. The program helps:
 - Complement existing neighborhood preservation projects
 - Enhance the quality and value of our historic areas by maintaining and preserving existing historic properties.
 - Extend the life, appeal and integrity of our architectural legacy for years to come.
4. The program awards grants up to a maximum of \$1,000 for up to 50% of the cost of the project. Grants will be awarded based on the decision of our panel of judges and decisions are final.
5. Priority will be given to exterior restoration, historical authenticity and "curb appeal" projects. Projects include but are not limited to:
 - Historic exterior painting
 - Chimney repairs or rebuilds
 - Foundation repairs or rebuilds
 - Exterior woodwork repair or rebuilds, including trim, rafter tails, beam ends, etc.
 - Interior woodwork repair or rebuilds
 - Porch and stairway repairs or rebuilds
 - Removal and replacement of inappropriate windows or doors to meet historical standards
 - Restoration of authentic siding or removal of added stucco to meet historical standards
 - Removal of inappropriate fencing



Application Process

- Submit the completed application with "before" photos of your project by January 31, 2024
- The Preservation Award Committee will then notify the applicants of their project's eligibility by March 31st and be invited to our 2nd Quarter Potluck Meeting in Spring, 2024 where official announcements will be made.
- Eligible applicants will put a small yard sign promoting the Grant Program in their front yard until the specific work is completed. All restoration work must be completed by September 30, 2024
- An on-site visit will be conducted for all completed projects between October 1st and November 1st, 2024
- Grants will be disbursed upon review of the completed projects, accompanying documentation and "after" photographs. These photographs will be used to document the grant awards and may be used for future illustration of the Grant Program
- Note: It is the responsibility of the homeowner to obtain the necessary building permits and Certificate of Appropriateness from the City of Ontario when applicable



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Application Form

Applicant's Name _____

Property Address _____

Telephone Number _____ Email Address _____

Do you own this property (Circle One)? YES NO If not, please explain _____

Property Owner & Address (If different from above) _____

Proposed Restoration Project _____

Estimated Cost \$: _____

Please Complete The Next Page



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Application Form Continued**

I hereby release Ontario Heritage, its Board and members from any and all liability regarding the proposed restoration project if I receive a grant, and agree to indemnify Ontario Heritage, its board and members from any and all damages, cost or attorney fees associated with any claims of liability. I understand that this program grants funds to reimburse cost of preservation projects only and Ontario Heritage and its Grant Committee do not themselves approve or disapprove any plans or projects submitted to the Grant Program. I understand it is the responsibility of the applicant to obtain all necessary City permits and Certificates of Appropriateness where applicable.

Furthermore, if I receive a Grant, I fully agree to permit Ontario Heritage to use information and photographs of my project as necessary for promotion and publicity purposes.

I hereby declare that the forgoing information regarding this grant application and restoration project is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of Applicant(s)

Signature of Property Owner(s) if other than Applicant

Return completed application by January 31st deadline to:

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Or online at Ontarioheritage.org